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# AGENDA



Thursday, September 28, 2006

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**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**ITEM No. 56**

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TARRANT COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM with PHILPOTT MOTORS, LTD., Nederland, TX, for the purchase of 112 police patrol sedans in an amount not to exceed \$2,483,869.92.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$2,151,208.77 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Approved Vehicle Acquisition Fund of the Financial and Administrative Services Department. Funding in the amount of \$332,661.15 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Approved Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Additional Backup Material**  
(click to open)  
No Attachments Available

**For More Information:** Ron Mazzarella, Fleet Buyer/974-2837

This contract is for 15 additional and 97 replacement Ford Crown Victoria police patrol sedans that will be assigned to the Austin Police Department. All of the sedans are equipped with light bars, sirens, and prisoner cages, and will be used as regular patrol sedans.

All 97 replacement vehicles have met the Fleet Officer's eligibility criteria for replacement. Fleet Service Center Managers have inspected each vehicle to be replaced, and have determined that the mileage of the vehicles proposed for replacement cannot be increased without risking a significant increase in repair costs and loss of productivity due to down time.

The 15 additional units will be issued to recently hired police patrol officers.

The Tarrant County Cooperative Purchasing Program was implemented in October, 2000, and provides these patrol sedans as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing this cooperative through an interlocal agreement provides for greater volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to get the City's vehicles in the manufacturer's order banks. The use of this contract will save an additional \$93,000 over the use of the other available cooperative purchasing programs for these type vehicles.